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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SOBER

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PEPR, SA, YS

SUBJECT: SAUDI VIEWS ON PDRY AND U.S.-PDRY RELATIONS

REF: STATE 20227, JIDDA 778

JIDDA REFTEL VERY HELPFUL IN GIVING US BETTER UNDERSTANDING  
OF SAUDI VIEWS ON ITS OWN CURRENT RELATIONSHIP WITH PDRY.  
WE COULD ASSUME FROM THIS THAT--AS AMBASSADOR ALIREZA TELLS  
US HERE--THERE IS NO CHANGE IN SAUDI VIEW THAT WE SHOULD  
CONTINUE TO HOLD OFF ON ANY STEPS TOWARDS NORMALIZING  
RELATIONS WITH PDRY. LATTER POINT IS ONE ON WHICH WE  
HAVE A CLEAR DIFFERENCE WITH CONGRESSMAN FINDLEY WHO,  
HOWEVER, HAS AT THIS MOMENT THE ADVANTAGE OF BEING ABLE  
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ITS VIEWS. INASMUCH AS WE HAVE HELD UP RESPONDING TO  
FINDLEY'S OFFER TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH US,

WE WOULD STILL VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR CHECKING THIS  
MATTER OUT WITH FAHD OR SAUD WHEN YOU HAVE AN EARLY  
OCCASION. THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO SPEAK AUTHORITATIVELY

TO FINDLEY AND, WE HOPE, PUT THE MATTER TO REST, AT  
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